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Press Release

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Camden County Wins Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant

Woodbine, GA – March 17, 2009: On Friday, March 13, 2009, Georgia Department of Community Affairs Commissioner Mike Beatty announced that Camden County has been awarded the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant for its innovative collaborative project in partnership with the Cities of Fitzgerald, Darien and Brunswick. This grant will enable Camden County to provide down payment assistance to qualified buyers of nine (9) foreclosed homes in Camden County of approximately \$11,951.00 per property in the determined areas of greatest need based on current foreclosures. Diana Smith, Director of Strategic Planning stated, "I am very excited about the opportunity that the award of this grant presents Camden County. The Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant will help fulfill the American dream of homeownership to approximately nine qualified residents of our community through a down payment assistance program for the purchase of a foreclosed home in our areas of greatest need." County "Georgia's Coastal Community of Choice"

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Administrator, Steve Howard stated, "This presents a great opportunity for Camden County with the news of this awarded grant. We were able to work collectively with other local governments to make our project a reality. I look forward to working with other local governments in the future as we work cooperatively to maintain and encourage affordable housing."

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